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Howard Wolfson, Treasurer
Democratic Congressional Campaign
Committee - Expenditures
430 South Capitol Street SE
Washington, DC 20003

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Reference: Year End Report (11/28/00-12/31/00)

Dear Mr. Wolfson:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule E discloses an independent expenditure(s) on behalf of a federal candidate(s) (pertinent portion(s) attached). Schedule B and/or Schedule F of this and previous reports disclose in-kind contributions and/or coordinated expenditures on behalf of these same candidates. Under 2 U.S.C. §431(17), an "independent expenditure" is defined as:

... an expenditure by a person expressly advocating the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate which is made without cooperation or consultation with any candidate, or any authorized committee or agent of such candidate, and which is not made in concert with, or at the request or suggestion of, any candidate, or any authorized committee or agent of such candidate.

The coordination involved in making in-kind contributions to and coordinated expenditures for a candidate may preclude your committee from making an independent expenditure in support of the same candidate. Under 11 CFR §109.1(c), any expenditure which does not qualify as an independent expenditure is considered an in-kind contribution. Please amend your report to disclose the aforementioned transactions as in-kind

contributions (Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the Detailed Summary Page), or provide additional clarifying information concerning the independent expenditure(s) made in support of or in opposition to these candidates.

If reclassification of the expenditure(s) as an in-kind contribution(s), results in an excessive contribution(s), the Commission recommends that you notify the recipient(s) and request a refund of the amount in excess. Please inform the Commission immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of your refund request(s) sent to the recipient(s). In addition, any refund should be disclosed on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of your next report.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



Dominick Ciaraldi
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, Inc. - Expenditures

Itemized Independent Expenditures

Period From 11/28/2000 to 12/31/2000

Payee Name/Address	Purpose of Expenditure	Date	Amount	Candidate Name State/District	Support Oppose
Campaign Communication Solutions 2003 El Camino Real, Ste. 208 Oceanside, CA 92054	Phone Banking	12/06/2000	\$1,713.31	Chapin, Linda State: FL District: 08 House	Support
Groundswell Communications, Inc. 1029 North Royal Street, Ste. 350 Alexandria, VA 22314	Phone Banking	12/14/2000	\$611.78	Dickey, Jay State: AR District: 04 House	Oppose
Groundswell Communications, Inc. 1029 North Royal Street, Ste. 350 Alexandria, VA 22314	Phone Banking	12/14/2000	\$4,460.08	Keenan, Nancy State: MT District: AL House	Support
Groundswell Communications, Inc. 1029 North Royal Street, Ste. 350 Alexandria, VA 22314	Phone Banking	12/14/2000	\$4,460.07	Rehberg, Dennis State: MT District: AL House	Oppose
Groundswell Communications, Inc. 1029 North Royal Street, Ste. 350 Alexandria, VA 22314	Phone Banking	12/14/2000	\$611.79	Ross, Mike State: AR District: 04 House	Support
National Telecommunications Services, Inc. Congressional House 236 Mass Ave., NE, Ste 610 Washington, DC 20002	Phone Banking	12/14/2000	\$1,498.50	Berkley, Shelley State: NV District: 01 House	Support
National Telecommunications Services, Inc. Congressional House 236 Mass Ave., NE, Ste 610 Washington, DC 20002	Phone Banking	12/14/2000	\$988.00	O'Shaughnessy, Maryellen State: OH District: 12 House	Support

